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EUR/CE- DAVID ANDERSON

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: US EAST-WEST TRADE CENTER IN VIENNA

REF: VIENNA 3684

1. I UNDERSTAND WE WILL SHORTLY RECEIVE WASHINGTON PROPOSALS REGARDING A REORGANIZATION OF OUR EAST-WEST TRADE CENTER (EWTC). I TRUST THAT WE WILL NOT BE PRESENTED WITH FINAL DECISIONS AND THAT YOU WILL GIVE ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON THESE PROPOSALS. SINCE I HAVE NOW BEEN AT THIS POST FOR TWO MONTHS AND THUS HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE THE CENTER IN OPERATION, I WOULD LIKE TO PASS ON THE FOLLOWING THOUGHTS WHICH I HOPE WILL BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION IN DECIDING ON FUTURE OF EWTC.

2. FIRST, ON THE MATTER OF LOCATION -- PRINZ EUGENSTRASSE VS. A MOVE TO THE EMBASSY -- I FEEL THAT, IF POSSIBLE, THE CENTER SHOULD REMAIN AT ITS PRESENT PREMISES AT LEAST FOR ANOTHER YEAR AND UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT WE

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HAVE HAD OPPORTUNITY TO EVALUATE THE PRESENT LOCATION

IN THE CONTEXT OF THE CENTER'S CHANGED SCOPE OF  
ACTIVITIES AND A SLIGHTLY REDUCED STAFFING PATTERN.  
AS A FORMER BUSINESSMAN, I AM VERY SENSITIVE TO THE  
SUBSTANTIAL INITIAL INVESTMENT MADE BY COMMERCE IN  
ESTABLISHING THE VERY ATTRACTIVE FACILITY IN DOWNTOWN  
VIENNA. THE LOCAL BUSINESS COMMUNITY, INCLUDING  
REPRESENTATIVES OF EASTERN EUROPEAN MISSIONS IN VIENNA  
AND THE STEADY STREAM OF AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN TRAVELLING  
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